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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT


Responsive to the action mailed June 13, 2003, applicant elects the invention of Group I, claims 1-4 and 9, drawn to polypeptides related to SEQ ID NO:3, with traverse.

Applicants request that Groups I and II be considered together. The claims in Group II (claims 5-9) are drawn to polypeptides related to SEQ ID NO:4. SEQ ID NO:3 and SEQ ID NO:4 are both encoded by M. incognita genes and are greater than 98% identical. Search and examination of the claims will be more efficient if Groups I and II are considered together.

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